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DATELINE

(\$)- Admission charged

Exhibits

University Art Gallery (Dexter): "50 Books/50 Covers," works by members of the American Institute of Graphic Artists. Jan. 11-Feb. 3. Hours: 11 a.m.-4 p.m. daily plus 7-9 p.m. Wednesday.

Friday, December 14

Brown Bag Technology Seminar: James Feld (ITS Network Administration), "Internet 2: Advanced Applications for Research and Development," Kennedy Library Rm 510, noon.

Women's Basketball: Fresno Pacific, Mott Gym, 7 p.m. (\$)

Saturday, December 15

Commencement: The colleges of Business and Engineering, 9 a.m.; Architecture and Environmental Design and Liberal Arts, 1 p.m.; and Agriculture, Science and Mathematics and the University Center for Teacher Education, 3:30 p.m.; Recreation Center.

Sunday, December 16

Academic holiday: Quarter break through Jan. 6.

Monday, December 17

Women's Basketball: Portland, Mott Gym, 7 p.m. (\$)

Wednesday, December 19

Women's Basketball: San Francisco, Mott Gym, 2 p.m. (\$)

Thursday, December 20

Music: Riders in the Sky, "Christmas the Cowboy Way," Christopher Cohan Center's Harman Hall, 7 p.m. (\$)

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Unocal donates Avila Beach pier



President Warren Baker formally accepts Unocal's Avila Beach pier from Mark Smith, Unocal vice president. Valued at \$18 million, the pier will become the Cal Poly Marine Science Education and Research Center. Vice President for Administration and Finance Frank Lebens (second from left) and Unocal Central Coast Group Manager Ken Smith look on.

\$294,000 grant to fund labs, student outreach

A \$294,000 grant from the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME) Education Foundation has been awarded to Cal Poly to help strengthen its manufacturing curriculum.

The grant will help enhance electronics education by creating leading-edge laboratories and updating coursework, as well as offering hands-on work experiences.

As part of the grant, Cal Poly will offer a work-experience program with participating SME members in 2003.

The program is supported by the state and contributions from a newly formed manufacturing consortium, including Flextronics, Solar Turbines, Solectron, Raytheon, Mustang Manufacturing, Orthodyne Electronics and Melfred Borzall. □

Three alumni to address ceremonies Saturday

A software CEO, a television producer and an aerospace executive – all Cal Poly alumni – will address candidates for graduation at the three Fall Commencement ceremonies Saturday (Dec. 15) in the Recreation Center.

Candidates from the colleges of Business and Engineering and their families and friends will hear an address by Veritas Software CEO and President Gary Bloom at 9 a.m. Bloom earned a degree in computer science in 1982.

"Entertainment Tonight" producer Brad Bessey was active in the theater program while he was studying agriculture. He will address the College of Architecture and Environmental Design and the College of Liberal Arts at 1 p.m.

At 3:30 p.m. Northrop Grumman Navigation Systems Division Vice President and General Manager William J. Allison will address candidates in

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CPR goes online

The *Cal Poly Report* is now available online on the new Cal Poly News Web site.

Look for the latest edition of the *Report*, to be posted every Wednesday, at www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu. Click on the "Cal Poly Report" link in the left-hand column or go directly to the *Cal Poly Report* Web pages at www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu/cpreport/reportindex.html.

You'll also find archived *Cal Poly Report* issues there, dating from Nov. 7.

Deadlines for *Cal Poly Report* submissions remain the same. Items may be e-mailed to polynews@polymail, faxed to ext. 6-6533, or mailed to Public Affairs, Heron Hall.

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agriculture, science and mathematics, and teacher education. He earned a bachelor's degree in biochemistry in 1977.

More than 950 candidates for diplomas and certificates will be recognized. Approximately 900 of them are candidates for bachelor's degrees, 60 for master's degrees and one for a two-year technical certificate. □

Department name change approved

President Baker recently approved a request by the Psychology and Human Development Department to change its name to the Psychology and Child Development Department.

Pedersen interim head of Food Science, Nutrition

Food Science and Nutrition Professor Mary Pedersen has been named to head her department beginning Jan. 1 while a permanent new leader is sought. Pedersen, who previously served as department head, joined the faculty in 1981. □

Friday retirement reception set for Clover

A retirement reception for Bob Clover of Information Technology Services will be held 3-5 p.m. Friday (Dec. 14) at the Smith Alumni and Conference Center.

Clover, in ITS since 1990, has directed Academic Computing, User Support Services and, most recently, Integrated Media Services.

For more information, contact Karen Vaughan at ext. 6-7657. □

Cal Poly News Web site launched

For the latest news about Cal Poly, surf to the new Cal Poly News Web site at www.calpolynews.calpoly.edu.

Public Affairs this week launched the site, where you can find news releases as they are issued, as well as archived news releases along with background information and story tips for the news media.

Although intended to provide news, background information and feature story ideas to local, state and national news media, the site is available to everyone. The site includes links to all of the colleges' Web sites.

The Cal Poly News site will also house current and back issues of the *Cal Poly Report* and the university's monthly electronic newsletter, *Cal Poly Update*. Look for the links to both pages in the left-hand column on the Cal Poly News index page.

For more information, contact the site's editor, Media Relations Specialist Teresa Mariani Hendrix, at thendrix@calpoly.edu. □

J. Philip Bromley, 93

J. Philip Bromley, who served in a number of teaching and administrative posts during almost 35 years of service to Cal Poly and who maintained close ties to the university after retirement, died Nov. 27 at Air Force Village West in Riverside.

Bromley began teaching at Cal Poly in 1947. He taught in the Ag Management and Soil Science departments and was appointed to a special team of educators who taught business and agricultural classes in Zambia and Guatemala from 1963 to 1971.

After his first retirement, in 1973, Bromley returned to Cal Poly as a student, earning a bachelor's degree in nutrition in 1986 at the age of 78 and acquiring the honor of being the oldest student to obtain a degree.

With his new degree, he turned again to the role of teacher and taught a course titled Teaching Nutrition to the Elderly.

Input needed on Web site update

University committees are seeking input from the faculty, students and staff members in an effort to update the Cal Poly Web site.

The Cal Poly Home Page (www.calpoly.edu) has a link to the Cal Poly Web Refresh Survey, which started at the beginning of November. The online survey is brief and asks a series of questions about the Web site and what users would like to see there.

The survey results are important because several university committees will use the results to update the site in 2002. So far, some 700 users have responded.

Thirty percent of the responses have come from alumni, 40 percent from users classifying themselves as "other," a small percentage have come from the faculty and staff, and less than 10 percent have come from enrolled students, according to Steve Rutland of Integrated Media Services.

Students, the staff and faculty members are urged to complete the survey before its cutoff date at the end of December. The survey is also available on the My Cal Poly portal at <http://my.calpoly.edu/layout.jsp?tab=2>.

For more details on the Web Refresh Survey, contact Rutland at srutland@calpoly.edu. □



Recycling awareness field trip planned

Faculty and staff members are invited to attend one of two recycling awareness field trips to the Cold Canyon landfill and recycling facility in January.

The trips, planned by Facility Services, will be 9-11 a.m. Jan. 14 and 1-3 p.m. Jan. 15. Transportation will be provided from campus to the landfill.

For more information, contact Facility Services student assistant Gilbert Peraza at ext. 6-2689 or gperaza@calpoly.edu.

Because space is limited, early reservations are recommended. □

'Dimensions of Learning' winter class

Don Maas of the University Center for Teacher Education will be teaching a course winter quarter titled Dimensions of Learning.

The free course is open to faculty and staff members and will be 3-6 p.m. on Tuesdays beginning Jan. 8.

The course is a comprehensive model that uses what researchers and theorists know about learning to define the learning process. The framework is intended to help colleagues maintain a focus on learning, study the learning process, and plan curriculum, instruction and assessment.

Enrollment is limited. Those interested in taking the seminar should contact Marge Harris at ext. 6-7387 or mharris@calpoly.edu.

For more information, call Maas at ext. 6-2587.

Dimensions of Learning, offered by the Center for Teaching and Learning, will be held in Room 510 in the library. □

Christmas trees for sale



Cal Poly's Logging Team is selling Douglas fir and noble fir Christmas trees 3-7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

The trees are at the Logging Unit on Stenner Creek Road off Highway 1.

Students with Cal Poly I.D. will receive a 5 percent discount.

For more information, call Joe Puentes at 528-8376.

Dollar limit changes in tax savings programs

Starting with the 2002 tax year, the annual dollar limit has been raised for the 403(b) Tax Sheltered Annuity program, the 401(k) Thrift Plan, and the 457 Deferred Compensation program.

The maximum contribution for all three plans is \$11,000 or 100 percent of adjusted gross income (or 100% of includable compensation for the 457 program), whichever is less. Participants who have reached age 50 by the end of the plan year and are eligible to contribute \$11,000 may defer an additional \$1,000, for a total of \$12,000.

In addition, contributions to a 457 plan will no longer have to be offset by reducing contributions to a 403(b) or 401(k) plan. For example, in 2002, a participant could elect to contribute up to \$11,000 to a 401(k) or 403(b) plan and up to \$11,000 to a 457 plan, for a total contribution of up to \$22,000.

To make a change to a 403(b) plan, complete a Salary Reduction Agreement, available on the Human Resources Web site at <http://www.afd.calpoly.edu/hree/forms/index.html#benefits>, or call Human Resources at ext 6-2237. The completed form should be sent to Human Resources, Adm. 110.

Contact the Savings Plus Program directly at (866) 566-4777 to make a change to your 457 or 401(k) plan, or visit www.sppforu.com.

Detailed information on tax law changes affecting 403(b), 401(k) and 457 plan contributions can be found at www.calstate.edu/hradm/pdf2001/tl-ben2001-22.pdf. □

Library hours set for academic holiday

During the end-of-year academic holiday, from Saturday (Dec. 15) through Jan. 6, the Kennedy Library will be closed Saturdays and Sundays and open Mondays-Fridays 8 a.m.-5 p.m., except on Tuesday (Dec. 18), when it will close at 2 p.m. for its holiday event, and Dec. 26-28, when it will be open 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

For more information, call the library information line at ext. 6-2029. □

Mandy Patinkin to perform Dec. 27

Broadway singer and Tony award-winner Mandy Patinkin, accompanied by Paul Ford on piano, will bring his critically acclaimed concert to the Christopher Cohan Center's Harman Hall at 8 p.m. Dec. 27.

Patinkin will perform songs from his just-released CD, "Kidults," which includes his unique renditions of such timeless American classics as "The Ugly Duckling," "If I Only Had A Brain" and "Getting To Know You," as well as an eclectic mix of classic and contemporary songs by composers Stephen Sondheim, Rodgers and Hammerstein, and Cole Porter.

Patinkin won a Tony Award for his 1980 Broadway debut as Ché in Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Evita." Clive Barnes of the New York Post called him "the greatest entertainer on Broadway today - period."

Tickets to this Cal Poly Arts event are \$46 to \$58, with student discounts available). □

Van pool has vacancies

Vacancies have opened up in van pools countywide. Times and cost varies. Contact Deby Anderson, coordinator of commuter and access services with the University Police, at ext. 6-6680 or djanders@calpoly.edu. □

CPR schedule

This is the final fall quarter *Cal Poly Report*. The *Report* is not published during quarter break. The first winter quarter issue will be Jan. 9. Articles for that issue are due to Public Affairs by 10 a.m. Jan. 2.

Submissions can be e-mailed to polynews@polymail, faxed to ext. 6-6533, or mailed to Public Affairs, Heron Hall.

For more information, call ext. 6-1511.

Extended Studies offers new courses for 2002

Extended Studies is offering a variety of classes beginning in January:

- Beginning Italian, 7-9 p.m. Mondays, Jan. 7-March 25, \$125.
- Human Resources Management, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Jan. 8-Feb. 19, \$165 (\$155 for certificate enrollees).
- Modern and Traditional Health Philosophies, 6-9 p.m. Wednesdays, Jan. 9-Feb. 27, \$35 per session or \$200 for the series.
- Estate Planning, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Jan. 9-March 13, \$180 (\$170 for Central Coast Paralegal Association members).
- Principles and Practices of Fundraising, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 10-March 28, \$250.

For complete course descriptions and to register online for some courses, go to the Extended Studies Web site at www.extendedstudies.calpoly.edu or call ext. 6-2053. □

Position Vacancies

STATE: The official listing of staff and management vacancies is posted at least two weeks prior to closing dates on Cal Poly's Web site at www.calpoly.edu. (Select "Employment" from the Cal Poly links drop-down box.) As a courtesy to our on-campus employees, job vacancies also are published in the *Cal Poly Report*. Positions marked with an asterisk indicate that qualified on-campus applicants in bargaining units 2, 5, 7 and 9 will be given first consideration. Job applications must be received in Human Resources, Adm. 110, by 5 p.m. on the closing date.

#231-Administrative Support Assistant II*, Psychology and Child Development, College of Liberal Arts, \$2,195-\$3,293 plus any negotiated salary increase. Closing date: Dec. 21.

FACULTY Candidates are asked to contact the appropriate department office at the phone number listed for more information or to request an application. Additional information and qualifications for each position may also be obtained online at <http://www.academic-personnel.calpoly.edu>. Please submit all application materials to the department head/chair unless otherwise specified in the ad. Rank and salary are commensurate with qualifications and experience (and time base where applicable), unless otherwise stated.

#3996: Tenure-Track Assistant Professor, Graphic Communication Department (ext. 6-1108). Closing date: Jan. 14. □

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Friday, December 21

Brown Bag Technology Seminar: Lynn Hays (ITS Application Services and Support), "Strategies for Managing Your E-mail and Other Files," Kennedy Library 510, noon.

Monday, December 24

Holiday: Campus closed through Dec. 25 for Christmas holiday.

Thursday, December 27

Music: Mandy Patinkin, Christopher Cohan Center's Harman Hall, 8 p.m. (\$)

Monday, December 31

Holiday: Campus closed through Jan. 1 for New Year's holiday.

Monday, January 7

Winter quarter classes begin.

Tuesday, January 8

Women's Basketball: Cal State Fullerton, Mott Gym, 7:05 p.m. (\$)

Friday, January 11

Brown Bag Technology Seminar: Chris Stavros (ITS Application Management), "Cal Poly Portal: Plans, Processes and Adding Channels," Kennedy Library 510, noon.

Women's Basketball: UC Riverside, Mott Gym, 7 p.m. (\$) □

Cashier open Dec. 31



The December payday for faculty and staff members is Dec. 31, an official campus holiday. Arrangements have been made to have the Cashier's Office (Adm. 131-E) open 3-4:30 p.m. that day for the release of payroll warrants. Checks cannot be released before that time because of state treasurer's office restrictions.

Checks will be released directly to the individual employee because individuals normally authorized to pick up checks for departments will be gone.

Checks not picked up on Dec. 31 can be picked up by a department representative as a batch on Jan. 2.

For more information on the December payday, call Payroll Services at ext. 6-2605. □

Ticket information

Tickets to performances listed in today's *Cal Poly Report* are on sale at the Performing Arts Ticket Office 10 a.m.-6 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays. Call ext. 6-2787, or fax your order to ext. 6-6088.

Tickets can also be bought online via www.Tickets.com. Visit the Performing Arts Center's Web site at www.pacslo.org and click on "Event Calendar."

Information on Cal Poly Arts events, including audio and video samples of artists' work, can be found on the Web at www.calpolyarts.org.

